

United States District Court
For the Northern District of California

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6 M.G., by and through his guardian ad litem,
7 LASHAN GOODWIN,

8 Plaintiff,

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10 v.
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12 CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, a municipal
13 corporation, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
14 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, a municipal
15 corporation, DAVID LIVINGSTON, in his capacity
16 as Sheriff for Contra Costa County, and DOES
17 1-100, inclusive, individually, and in their
capacities as sheriffs for Contra Costa County,

18 Defendants.

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20 No. C 11-04853 WHA

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28 **REMINDER NOTICE
OF UPCOMING TRIAL
AND FINAL PRETRIAL
CONFERENCE**

29 This notice serves as a friendly reminder that this case remains set for a **FINAL**
30 **PRETRIAL CONFERENCE** on **MARCH 18, 2013**, at **2:00 P.M.**, with a **JURY TRIAL** on **MARCH 25,**
31 **2013**. Please consult the existing case management order and review and follow all standing
32 guidelines and orders of the undersigned for civil cases on the Court's website at
33 <http://www.cand.uscourts.gov>. Continuances will rarely be granted.

34 The final pretrial conference will be an important event, for it will be there that the
35 shape of the upcoming trial will be determined, including *in limine* orders, time limits and
36 exhibit mechanics. Lead trial counsel must attend.

37 To avoid any misunderstanding with respect to the final pretrial conference and trial, the
38 Court wishes to emphasize that all filings and appearances must be made — on pain of

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1 dismissal, default or other sanction — unless and until a dismissal fully resolving the case is
2 received. It will not be enough to inform the clerk that a settlement in principle has been
3 reached or to lodge a partially executed settlement agreement or to lodge a fully executed
4 agreement (or dismissal) that resolves less than the entire case. Where, however, a
5 fully-executed and unconditional settlement agreement clearly and fully disposing of the entire
6 case is lodged reasonably in advance of the pretrial conference or trial and only a ministerial act
7 remains, the Court will arrange a status conference to work out an alternate procedure pending a
8 formal dismissal.

9 Please state whether the Court can be of further ADR assistance (but avoid stating offers,
10 counteroffers or dollar amounts).

11 In this case, the Court wishes to consider the following additional trial procedures and
12 desires that counsel meet and confer and reach a stipulation concerning whether and how to use
13 them:

- 14 1. Scheduling opposing experts so as to appear in successive order;
- 15 2. Giving preliminary instructions on the law;
- 16 3. Allowing limited pre-closing deliberations (as per, *e.g.*, Rule 39 of
17 the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure); and
- 18 4. Allowing each side fifteen minutes of opening/argument time to be
19 used during the evidence time (in addition to normal opening statement and
20 closing argument).

21 Please present the results of your stipulation (or not) in the joint pretrial conference
22 submissions.

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25 Dated: January 8, 2013.


26 WILLIAM ALSUP
27 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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